The City of Galena Park

City Commission Meeting

Date: November 03, 2015

A regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Galena Park was held at the Alvin D. Baggett Community Building, Tuesday evening at 6:00 P.M. on November 03, 2015.

Present were:

Esmeralda Moya
Danny Simms
Cruz R. Hinojosa, Jr.
Maricela Serna
Juan Flores
Mayra Gonzales
Robert Pruett
Jim DeFoyd

Mayor

Commissioner
Commissioner
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Commissioner
City Secretary
City Administrator
City Attorney

Item # 1- Mayor Moya called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Item # 2- Mr. Robert Clowers gave the invocation

Item # 3- Comments from the audience

Ms. Delatorre, a citizen, asked how long after you give someone a warning that you are going to give them a citation is it, before you finally do give them a citation. Mr. Pruett stated that a lot of it is up to the officers discretion. Mr. Pruett stated that the officer can issue someone a citation if they are in violation of an ordinance or they can choose to give someone a verbal warning. Mr. Pruett stated that the same applies for Police or Code Enforcement. Mr. Pruett stated that normally the second time they go out they will issue a citation. Ms. Delatorre stated that she was told they have already been sent out twice. Ms. Delatorre gave the council members pictures that she had taken of the property next door. Ms. Delatorre addressed her concerns about the property on the corner of 3rd and Woolfe to the council. Mr. Pruett stated that it would be addressed first thing in the morning. Ms. Delatorre thanked the council.

Item # 4- Galena Park FFA Officers. Mayor Moya stated since no one showed they would move on to the next item.

Item # 5- Consider approving the minutes of regular meeting on October 20, 2015. Commissioner Serna moved to table the minutes of October 20, 2015 because they were not ready. Commissioner Flores, 2nd...Vote: 5 Ayes...Motion Carried.

Item # 6- Consider ratifying accounts payable through November 03, 2015. Commissioner Simms moved to approve ratifying accounts payable through November 03, 2015. Commissioner Serna, 2nd...Vote: 5 Ayes...Motion Carried.

Item # 7- Consider approving the second and final reading of Ordinance 2015-13- An Ordinance regulating hazardous air pollutants emitted from engines of certain idling motor vehicles of a gross weight rating of more than 14,000 pounds. Commissioner Simms moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2015-13- An Ordinance regulating hazardous air pollutants emitted from engines of certain idling motor vehicles of a gross weight rating of more than 14,000 pounds. Commissioner Flores, 2nd...Vote: 5 Ayes...Motion Carried.

Item #8- Consider approving the second and final reading of Ordinance 2015-14- Amending article IV at section 54-116 entitled "One Way Streets" of the code of ordinance of the City of Galena Park,

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Texas. Commissioner Flores moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2015-14-Amending article IV at section 54-116 entitled "One Way Streets" of the code of ordinance of the City of Galena Park, Texas. Commissioner Serna, 2nd...Vote: 5 Ayes...Motion Carried.

Item # 9- Consider opening and awarding seal bids for the gateway project construction. Mayor Moya opened the bids. Mayor Moya read the bid from Jerdon Enterprise, L.P. for \$137,137.00. Mayor Moya read the bid from Hoggatt, L.P. for \$128,231.00. Ms. Gonzales stated to the council that Bryan with Knudson, L.P. was there to answer any questions. Bryan stated that Knudson, L.P. were the designers in the project. Commissioner Serna asked Bryan if it mattered to him who's bid they chose. Bryan stated no. Commissioner Flores asked Bryan if he has worked with either bidder on other projects. Bryan stated he had worked with both. Commissioner Flores asked if they had worked on other projects like this before. Bryan stated that Mr. Hoggatt was the contractor for the South Houston Gateway, Morgan's Point Gateway, and the Jacinto City Gateway. Commissioner Serna stated that he was the lower bid and he has the experience. Mayor Moya asked if this was excluding the \$98,000.00 grant. Mr. Pruett stated that the city would pay the difference of the grant and the bid. Mayor Moya stated to keep that into consideration. Commissioner Serna moved to award the bid to Hoggatt, L.P. Commissioner Flores, 2nd...Vote: Mayor Moya stated that she was wanting to stay in the range of the grant. Vote: 5 Ayes...Motion Carried.

Item # 10- Consider opening and awarding seal bids for the sale of six city vehicles. Mayor Moya opened three bids that were received. Mayor Moya read the bids as follows: Olga Rios for the 2007 Ford Crown Victoria Vin # 3210- \$500.00. Robert Ubias for the 2008 Chevy Impala Vin # 4486-\$400.00. Blanca Betancourt for the 2007 Ford Crown Vic. Vin # 3210- \$502.00. Commissioner Simms stated that there were no bids on the other vehicles. Commissioner Serna asked if they should award the other vehicles to the previous bidder. Commissioner Simms asked Mr. Pruett what do they do next. Mayor Moya stated that the council decides what to do next. Commissioner Flores moved to award the bid to Blanca Betancourt for the 2007 Ford Crown Victoria Vin # 3210 in the amount of \$502.00. Commissioner Serna, 2nd...Vote: 5 Ayes. Commissioner Hinojosa moved to award the bid for the 2008 Chevy Impala Vin # 4486 in the amount of \$400.00. Commissioner Simms, 2nd...Vote: 5 Ayes...Motion Carried. Commissioner Flores asked if the other vehicles would go up for auction again. Mayor Moya stated that they can put it up for bid again if they wanted to. Mr. Pruett stated that they would have to post it again.

Item # 11- Consider approving changing the employment status of Zayra Rendon from part time to full time- Water Department. Commissioner Flores moved to approve changing the employment status of Zayra Rendon from part time to full time- Water Department. Commissioner Serna, 2nd...Vote: 5 Ayes...Motion Carried.

Mayor Moya asked for announcements.

Commissioner Flores announced that he wanted to give an update on the street light project. Commissioner Flores stated that himself and Commissioner Hinojosa were working with CenterPoint on getting street lights in Galena Park. Commissioner Flores asked if anybody knew of places that needed street lighting to please let them know. Mr. Jack Brown, a citizen, stated that the city parks need lighting along the streets. Commissioner Flores stated that they were going to get street lights behind McArthur. Mr. Brown stated that 16th and Keene needed lighting, 16th and Parkside. Commissioner Flores stated that he would get with him after the meeting to get the addresses.

Commissioner Simms made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Flores, 2nd.... Vote: 5 Ayes... Motion Carried.

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Meeting adjourned: 6:33 P.M.

APPROVED